

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of: **Philip Alfred Ropp et al.** :  
For Patent: **Removal of Lipopolysaccharides** :  
**From Protein-Lipopolysaccharide Complexes** :  
**By Non-Flammable Solvents** :  
Examiner: **S. Devi**  
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Communication

There is an Office Action dated October 19, 2009 pending in the above referenced case. The Office Action set a three month period for response, making a response due on or by January 19, 2010. In response to that Office Action, a Notice of Appeal was filed on January 19, 2010. A Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) to extend the time of response by two months, up to and including May 19, 2010 is filed concurrently herewith.

Applicant is concurrently filing (in a separate EFS filing) a continuation of the above referenced application. Accordingly, the above referenced application and the continuation application are co-pending.

**CONCLUSION**

If the undersigned can be of assistance to the Examiner, please contact the undersigned at the number set forth below. In the event the United States Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, Applicant petitions for any required relief including extensions of time and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with this filing to Deposit Account No.: 50-4205; Reference Number: 2003.795US.

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